

Amendments to the Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of the claims:

1. (currently amended) A computer input pen, comprising:
a cylindrical housing; and
a weight eccentrically disposed within the cylindrical housing relative to a longitudinal axis of the cylindrical housing, the weight rotationally coupled relative to the cylindrical housing with a desired level of friction to absorb rotational energy of the cylindrical housing relative to the weight; and
a frictional element disposed on a surface of the weight.
2. (canceled)
3. (currently amended) A computer input pen, comprising:
a cylindrical housing;
a weight eccentrically disposed within the cylindrical housing relative to a longitudinal axis of the cylindrical housing, the weight rotationally coupled relative to the cylindrical housing with a desired level of friction to absorb rotational energy of the cylindrical housing relative to the weight; and
~~The computer input pen of claim 1, further comprising a frictional element disposed on an interior surface of the cylindrical housing.~~
4. (original) The computer input pen of claim 1, wherein the weight is rotationally coupled to a shaft extending along the longitudinal axis.
5. – 8. (canceled)
9. (original) A computer input pen, comprising:
a cylindrical housing;

a weight eccentrically disposed within the cylindrical housing relative to a longitudinal axis of the cylindrical housing, the weight moveably disposed within the cylindrical housing; and

a frictional element adapted to inhibit movement between the weight and the cylindrical housing.

10. (original) The computer input pen of claim 9, wherein the frictional element is disposed on an interior surface of the cylindrical housing.

11. (original) The computer input pen of claim 9, wherein the frictional element is disposed on a surface of the weight.

12. (original) The computer input pen of claim 9, wherein the frictional element comprises an integrally formed surface of the weight.

13. (original) The computer input pen of claim 9, wherein the frictional element comprises an integrally formed interior surface of the cylindrical housing.

14. (original) The computer input pen of claim 9, wherein the frictional element is disposed between a shaft disposed along the longitudinal axis of the cylindrical housing and the weight.

15. (original) The computer input pen of claim 14, wherein the frictional element comprises an integrally formed surface of the shaft.

16. (original) The computer input pen of claim 14, wherein the frictional element comprises an integrally formed surface of the weight.

17. (currently amended) A computer input pen, comprising:

means for moveably and eccentrically disposing a weight within a cylindrical housing; and;

means for providing a desired level of friction to absorb energy resulting from movement between the weight and the cylindrical housing, wherein the friction means comprises means formed on a shaft disposed along a longitudinal axis of the cylindrical housing and adapted to engage a corresponding surface of the weight.

18. (original) The computer input pen of claim 17, wherein the disposing means comprises means for rotationally disposing the weight within the cylindrical housing.

19. (currently amended) A computer input pen, comprising:

means for moveably and eccentrically disposing a weight within a cylindrical housing; and;

means for providing a desired level of friction to absorb energy resulting from movement between the weight and the cylindrical housing ~~The computer input pen of claim 17,~~ wherein the friction means comprises means integrally formed on a surface of the weight.

20. (currently amended) A computer input pen, comprising:

means for moveably and eccentrically disposing a weight within a cylindrical housing; and;

means for providing a desired level of friction to absorb energy resulting from movement between the weight and the cylindrical housing ~~The computer input pen of claim 17,~~ wherein the friction means comprises means integrally formed on an interior surface of the cylindrical housing.

21. (canceled)